

reward is given for tag recoveries. Archival tag researchers would submit registration and reporting information in accordance with regulatory requirements.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648-0338.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular Submission.

Affected Public: Individuals, businesses or other for-profit organizations, not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 23.

Estimated Time Per Response: 30 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden

Hours: 13.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: None.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: January 2, 1998.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 011298B]

South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will

convene a meeting of its Snapper Grouper Assessment Group.

DATES: The meeting will convene on February 4, 1998, at 1:30 p.m. and adjourn at 5:30 p.m.; reconvene on February 5, 1998, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and, on February 6, 1998, reconvene at 8:30 a.m. and adjourn at 12:00 noon.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Town and Country Inn, 2001 Savannah Highway, Charleston, SC 29407; telephone: 803-571-1000.

Council address: South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 1 Southpark Circle, Southpark Building, Suite 306, Charleston, South Carolina 29407-4699.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan Buchanan, Public Information Officer; telephone: (803) 571-4366; fax: (803) 769-4520.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meetings will be held to:

1. Review wreckfish landings and make recommendations to the Council for setting the 1998/99 wreckfish framework actions, including total allowable catch;
2. Review Special Management Zone requests received by the Council;
3. Refine appropriate criteria for developing marine fishery reserves based on the Plan Development Team report;
4. Review the revised *Oculina* research plan;
5. Determine the current status of the snapper grouper species, as well as project the change in this status that will result from regulations in Snapper Grouper Amendment 9; and,
6. Develop recommendations on information prepared by Council staff concerning new definitions for overfishing, optimum yield (OY) and maximum sustainable yield (MSY) levels or spawning potential ratio proxies for MSY and OY.

Although other issues not contained in this agenda may come before this Group for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal Council action during this meeting. Group action will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agenda listed in this notice.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to the Council office (see **ADDRESSES**) by January 28, 1998.

Dated: January 13, 1998.

Bruce C. Morehead,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 011298A]

Caribbean Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Caribbean Fishery Management Council (Council) and its Administrative Committee will hold public meetings.

DATES: The meetings will be held on February 9, 1998 through February 12, 1998. The Council will meet on Wednesday, February 11, 1998, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and reconvene on Thursday, February 12, 1998, at 9:00 a.m., and adjourn at approximately noon. The Administrative Committee will meet on Monday, February 9, 1998, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Marriott's Frenchman's Reef Beach Resort, St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands; telephone: 809-776-8500.

Council address: Caribbean Fishery Management Council, 268 Munoz Rivera Avenue, Suite 1108, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00918-2577; telephone: (787) 766-5926; fax: (787) 766-6239.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Miguel A. Rolon, Council Executive Director, telephone: (787) 766-5926.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Council will hold its 93rd regular public meeting to discuss the draft Amendment 1 to the Fishery Management Plan for Corals and Reef Associated Plants and Invertebrates of Puerto Rico and the United States Virgin Islands that would establish a Marine Conservation District (MCD). The Council will consider establishment of a proposed "no-take" MCD in the EEZ due south of St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands. The Administrative Committee will discuss the results of the CY 96 audit; the CY 98 budget; Scientific and Statistical Committee/Advisory Panel membership, and other administrative matters. Following adjournment of the Administrative Committee's public meeting, the Committee will convene a closed session to discuss personnel matters.